# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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CROPS UNDER NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the National Agriculture Development Scheme has been launched in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the crops that have been included for development alongwith the funds sanctioned under the said scheme, State-wise particularly in the North-East;

(c) whether any time bound targets have been fixed for the implementation of the said scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (d): Pursuant to the Resolution adopted on 29.05.2007 by the National Development Council (NDC),a new State Plan scheme of Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for agriculture & allied sectors,namely,Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) or National Agricultural Development Programme (NADP) was launched during 2007-08.

The broad objective of RKVY is to incentivise the States to increase public investment to achieve 4% growth rate in agriculture and allied sectors in the 11th Five Year Plan.

The scheme provides the States flexibility and autonomy in the process of planning and execution of schemes as per the local agro-climatic conditions to improve farm productivity and production. The State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) headed by the Chief Secretary approves the projects under RKVY with definite time lines and clear objectives for agriculture and allied sectors excluding forestry, wild life and plantations (i.e. coffee, tea and rubber).The indicative list of activities which can be taken up under RKVY includes integrated development of major food crops such as wheat, paddy, coarse cereals,minor millets,pulses,oilseeds etc.

The allocation and release of funds to the States under RKVY during 2007-08 is given in the attached statement at Anexure-I.